

## House Resolution 33

By: Representative Maddox of the 172<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Declaring February 5, 2009, as Veterinary Medicine Day at the state capitol and inviting  
2 representatives from the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association to appear before the House  
3 of Representatives; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians use their scientific knowledge and skills for the benefit  
5 of society through the protection of animal health, the relief of animal suffering, the  
6 conservation of livestock resources, the promotion of public health, and the advancement of  
7 medical knowledge; and

8 WHEREAS, Georgia veterinarians protect the health and welfare of animals in this state that  
9 serve as a source of companionship, nutrition, and education for the people of this state; and

10 WHEREAS, Honorable Sonny Perdue, the Governor of this great state, is a veterinarian and  
11 he is representative of the many veterinarians throughout Georgia that own and operate  
12 businesses in both large and small communities; and

13 WHEREAS, the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association has been the voice of organized  
14 veterinary medicine for more than 100 years; and

15 WHEREAS, those working in the field of veterinary medicine demonstrate great  
16 compassion, understanding, and kindness for the animals in their care and their dedication  
17 and commitment to the betterment of the animal world is appreciated and acknowledged.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the members of this body commend those in the veterinary medicine field for their  
20 contributions to improve the health and welfare of animals throughout the state.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Thursday, February 5, 2009, is recognized as Veterinary  
22 Medicine Day at the state capitol and that the following distinguished members of the

23 Georgia Veterinary Medical Association are invited to appear before the House of  
24 Representatives at a date and time to be fixed by the Speaker of the House: Dr. Myron  
25 Downs, Dr. Becky Malphus, Dean Sheila Allen, Claire Reagan, and Dr. Vince Obsitnik.